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**Sent:** 9/4/2018 2:17:52 PM  
**To:** Dunn, Alexandra [dunn.alexandra@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Exeter Followup

Alex,

Exciting to see you continue to make good things happen. Keep it up and I'm really happy for you. Your commute will be a little easier. 😊

Jeff

**Trump to tap former ECOS chief for EPA chemicals job** [Back](#)

By Annie Snider and Alex Guillén | 08/30/2018 10:59 AM EDT

President Donald Trump will pick Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, a longtime environmental attorney and current head of EPA's New England office, to head the agency's chemicals and pesticides office, the Washington Post [reports](#), citing unnamed sources briefed on her nomination.

The White House did not immediately return request for comment.

The Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention has been in the spotlight following some controversial moves, including overturning the Obama administration's move to ban the pesticide chlorpyrifos. That action was reversed this month by a federal court that said EPA had ignored the science showing the pesticide posed a health risk.

The chemicals office is also responsible for implementing Congress' overhaul of the Toxic Substances Control Act, though Democrats and environmentalists have argued EPA is taking industry-friendly positions on asbestos and other harmful chemicals.

Trump's first nominee for the job, toxicologist Michael Dourson, drew fire for his close industry ties and eventually pulled his nomination after several Senate Republicans indicated they would not vote for him.

Dunn is seen as a more moderate pick. She was named last year to run EPA's Region 1, where she has gained the trust of community advocates working on contamination from perfluorinated compounds, or PFAS. Dunn hosted EPA's first community meeting on PFAS in June.

She served as executive director and general counsel for the Environmental Council of States for nearly four years. Prior to that she held similar roles at the Association of Clean Water Administrators and the National Association of Clean Water Agencies.

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Jeff-

Great to see you too! Thanks for sharing. I'm following up with my team to see what we may be able to do in terms of visiting Norwell.

Best, Alex

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Alex,

I hope you had an enjoyable 4<sup>th</sup> of July and got a little down time to enjoy and relax. Congratulations again on such a successful forum in Exeter the other week. While I wasn't there for the Monday night session, I thought Tuesday's session was very positive, constructive, and the agency struck just the right tone (which I can totally appreciate after running a land management agency in NH for 5 years). Nicely done by you and your team. I'm sure it will be the model used for what other regions should consider moving forward.

I wanted to share the email below from Battelle's business line manager who joined me at the Region 1 forum. Mark Curran heads up our operations just around the corner from you in Norwell, MA and leads our team actively working to bring a dynamic and wholistic solution set to the PFAS/PFOA issue (class of compounds). Mark reached out to Deb and Meghan, but we would also welcome the opportunity to host you at our facility and talk about ways we can help address the EPA Region 1 needs. As you can see in Mark's email, our Norwell lab is unique in being able to meet some of the short term issues highlighted on June 26, but we also bring site assessment and characterization solutions, environment fate and fingerprinting, and some remediation capabilities (including potential pilot opportunities with some of our strategic R&D investments).

Again, as the largest non-profit R&D company in the world, Battelle's independent labs and scientists are an asset that is well poised to help address the long term needs of the PFAS challenges. Please let me know if you're available to come by the facility or see a window where Battelle's team can support your efforts. As you stated the other day, this issue and the EPA's engagement aren't going anywhere for a while.

Sorry to see Administrator Pruitt leave the agency, but I know Region 1 will continue to be in good hands.

Congrats again and look forward to keeping the conversation going on how we can be helpful.

Jeff

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Deb/Meghan:

It was a pleasure meeting you both at the New England Community Engagement on PFAS in Exeter last week; looking forward to seeing the other Regions follow Region 1's leadership.

As a follow up on the issue of PFAS-related lab capacity, I have attached Battelle's PFAS detection limits for drinking water, non-potable water, soils/sediments, and tissues for our environmental chemistry laboratory in Norwell, MA. As mentioned in Exeter, our Norwell lab uses validated methods that are based on EPA Method 537.1 and is accredited for PFAS detection in soil, sediment, tissues and water according to DoD QSM version 5.1. I would be pleased to host a tour of the lab and introduce you to our lead chemists if it is ever convenient for you or your staff to pay us a visit.

Again, pleased to meet you and let us know if we can serve EPA's mission in any way.

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